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**Minutes of Meeting:** April 15, 2008  
**Location:** Otay Water District Headquarters  
2554 Sweetwater Springs Blvd.

1. **Call to Order:** 7:02 pm J.L. PHILLIPS, presiding Chair.

Members present: Brennan, Brownlee, Fitchet, Hewicker, Hyatt, Manning, Mitrovich, Phillips, Millar, Reith, Wollitz

Not Present: Chapman, Collier, Henderson, Ripperger

2. **Finalize Agenda:** As shown

3. **Open Forum:** Kenton Jones, San Diego County Traffic Advisory Committee introduced himself to the Group

4. **Approval of Minutes:** Minutes of March 18, 2008: VOTE: 9-0-3 to approve minutes. (Manning, Millar and Wollitz abstains)

5. **Land Use Projects:** None

6. **Unfinished Business:**

a. General Plan Update (CP 2020) Recently appointed DPLU Chief, Mr. Devon Muto, introduced himself and gave an update on the status of the General Plan (GP 2020). He explained that completion of the General Plan is a high priority for the County and that public/stakeholder involvement is important to the completion of the project. Anyone can contact him at [devon.muto@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:devon.muto@sdcounty.ca.gov) or 858-694-3016 to receive monthly email newsletters regarding the General Plan update. Questions and discussion.

7. **New Business:**

a. Proposed weight limitation and/or parking restrictions on Hillsdale Road: PHILLIPS introduced Christine Foraker (1998 Corona Vista, EC 92019) who is concerned about early morning excessive noise levels and safety issues relating to large trucks parking and driving on Hillsdale Road between Vista Grande and Willow Glen. Bill Griffiths (1932 Hillsdale, EC 92019) agrees as does Bob Ayers (1875 Vista Grande Ct. EC 92019). Jon Clouds (2094 Willow Glen, EC 92019) from Hester's Granite Co. suggests we work with the quarterly traffic control meetings they hold to come up with a solution that would not require the truckers to drive the extra miles that would be required if we limit access on Hillsdale. PHILLIPS explains that there are other operations whose truckers are using Hillsdale road and those truckers would not be included in the Traffic Control Meetings run by Hester's. Joel Cloud (2094 Willow Glen, EC

92019) expressed concern that Willow Glen could get overcrowded with truckers if they are not allowed to use Hillsdale Road. Elaine Ayers (1875 Vista Grande Ct, EC 92019) explained that the truck traffic has increased significantly over the last 2-3 years, ever since the sand mining started at Cottonwood, and she is very concerned about safety with the number of trucks on the road and the proximity to Vista Grande Elementary School as well as Valhalla High School.

After more discussion, PHILLIPS introduces a motion for permanent restricted access for trucks over 10 tons prior to 9am and after 3pm on Chase Road and Hillsdale Road from Jamacha Rd. to Willow Glen Rd. (FITCHET seconds) Discussion follows. VOTE: 12-0-0 to approve motion.

- b. Noise Ordinance Amendment. PHILLIPS makes a motion that the Planning Group prepare a letter with the following comments on the Noise Ordinance Amendment.

Sec. 36.404b: New paragraph is unacceptable. Utilizing only the noise mitigation measures recommended by an applicant in an MUP may not preclude actual noise impacts to the neighborhood which should be required to conform with standards.

Sec. 36.404d: Remove "plus five decibels". This increase in decibels could result in significant noise impacts.

Sec. 36.409: The Construction Sound Level Standards are too high. An outdoor adjoining use would be impossible as would many commercial uses.

Table 36.410: The noises described in this section are too high and cannot be measured properly using "A" weighting and "slow" response as described in Section 36.402.

Sec. 36.409, 410, and 416: By limiting these to just occupied properties, an outdoor use on an adjacent "unoccupied" property could be severely affected by the uncontrolled noise levels.

Sec. 36.419: By removing the clause that makes violations to the ordinance a misdemeanor it weakens the ordinance altogether.

Further, the ordinance does not address noise impacts to sensitive habitats and it should. (MITROVICH seconds).

Discussion follows. Jon Cloud (4125 Willow Glen EC 92019) questioned the inclusion of sensitive habitat. Carl Myer (Potrero) requested clarification on occupied vs. non-occupied properties. VOTE: 11-0-1 (MILLAR abstains).

8. **Chairman's Report:** PHILLIPS indicates that a way may have been cleared for construction on Estrella Park to be started. The following documents are available from PHILLIPS, Fire District Consolidation, SANDAG's Regional Transportation Plan, and USFWS' Wildlife Refuge Report. PHILLIPS also reminded the Group of the Planning Group Training Sessions that will take place this month.

9. **ADJOURNMENT:** 8:55 pm

Submitted by

Susan Brownlee